

Mansfield Community Playground Project
Meeting Minutes

Date: 9/13/12

Present: Sara Anderson, Paul Johnson, Jean Johnson, Cristina Colon-Semenza, Ellen Tulman, Julia DeLapp, Chad Rittenhouse, Megan Huff, Kelly Zimmerman, Kathleen Krider, Heather Bunnell

Next Meeting: 10/11/12 at 7:00 pm Town Office Buildings, Conference Rm B

- I. Approval of Minutes – Approved
- II. Discussion of acquiring a schematic from L & A – we are waiting
- III. General Coordinator Update
 - a. Build week is planned for Sept 2013, week of Sept 25, 2013
 - b. Language we should be using when addressing the community “We will build when we have raised all of our funds. Our goal is Sept 2013.”
 - c. Please get all calendar items to Sara ASAP
 - d. L & A will be adjusting our milestones to correlate to new build date
 - e. New component list – pending from L & A
- IV. Festival on the Green – Sunday Sept 23, 2012 12-5 pm
 - a. Decision to do hammering activity rather than recycled materials activity
 - b. Kathleen asks that volunteers wear “Ask me about MAC” buttons.
Response to simply state “it’s a parent driven organization to promote children’s interests in town. Please contact Kathleen, she’d be happy to tell you more.”
 - c. Cristina will make a schedule of volunteer. Cristina, Jean, Paul, Ellen & Edan Tulman have volunteered, Possible other volunteers – Susanna & Erin Christopher. Heather & Ellen will set up the booth.
- V. MMS Open House – Sara will set up & run table
- VI. Southeast Fall Carnival – MAC has been invited. Playground committee possibly join them.
- VII. Goodwin Harvest Festival (a PTO driven activity) is planned to be a venue for doing handprint tiles
- VIII. Storrs Farmers Market – Kelly is working on making a connection so that playground can have a table there. Let Kelly know if can help with this.
- IX. Esther is coordinating a 5K Fun Run. She is no longer coordinating Children’s Committee, but she is providing some assistance to Kelly.
- X. Fundraising update:
 - a. Direct Mailing to all Mansfield businesses is scheduled to go out on Mon 9/17/12
 - b. Julia & Megan will attend a “Town Hall” Meeting at UCONN with Division of Student Affairs. There will be a follow up mtg to this at which specifics about our project will be shared.
 - c. We have a Applebees fundraiser scheduled for June 1, 2013

- d. Fun Run is tentatively scheduled for May 4, 2013. There is a possible conflict with Mt Hope Spring Festival – this will be investigated.
- e. Susanna is organizing picket sales. She is no longer coordinating Food.
- f. Kelly has mtg scheduled to try to arrange for a Sports Bar Fundraiser.
- g. Buy-a-Board competitions at each school is being planned.
 - i. Cristina will help at Vinton
 - ii. Jean will help at Southeast
 - iii. Megan will help at Goodwin
- XI. Paul & Chad have been asked to begin working on a Contractor Event to try to bring local contractors in as possible supporters/contributors to our playground
- XII. Kathleen informed us that the town really needs information about our budget and how we will maintain a cash flow. This is necessary in order for this project to keep moving forward.

Minutes prepared & respectfully submitted by Ellen Tulman on 9/16/12